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The Preachers and Bible Workers Institute will begin at Newton July 7th.

A Sunday School Institute will be held in the Winona Church for the benefit of the whole adjoining territory beginning first Sunday in July.

The Christian Citizens Conference is to meet in Pittsburg, Nov. 9-16. It is to "consider the moral interest of mankind."

Sidis, the "boy prodigy" who graduated at Harvard at fifteen was recently sent to jail for a year and a half for engaging in Bolshevik disturbance in Boston.

Earl D. Sims has been elected "Church invigorator" of the Northern Baptist Home Mission Society. Happy pastors will soon have nothing to do but watch the work move on.

According to figures in the Watchman Examiner, Northern Baptists have on the foreign mission field more schools than they have Sunday schools.

The Home Mission Board in its recent meeting granted \$2,500 to the church at Canton on their new building, \$10,000 to the church at Clinton and \$9,000 to the church in Natchez.

Ouachita recently conferred on J. S. Compere the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He is the honored editor of the Baptist Advance and deserves the distinction.

Indianola Church is now erecting for Pastor Martin a brick veneered home corresponding in architecture to their handsome church building at a cost of \$14,000.

Pastor S. P. Powell is in a meeting at Kiln, having with him Dr. Cotey of the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans. Strive together with him in prayer.

Brother N. W. P. Bacon has accepted the call of the church at Itta Bena and they begin their work together Aug. 1st. A good opportunity and a man equal to it.

The president of the Northern Baptist Convention explained the numerical prominence of ministers in the laymen's movement on the ground that "one can get more brains for less money in the ministry than in another class of men."

After characterizing dancing "of the proper sort" as "almost an ideal form of play," Dr. Fletcher said: "Improper dancing is held to be responsible for one-half of the moral delinquency of the world."

Copiah County is enjoying great prosperity as the result of their wisdom and energy. Train loads of truck are not an uncommon occurrence with them, Crystal Springs leading. It is said that Wesson dairies bring in \$1,000 a day.

We have received a copy of the Southern Baptist Convention minutes. It is a large volume of nearly 600 pages, illustrated and filled with information that certainly every preacher ought to have. The work is excellently done.

The Southern Baptist Convention recommended to the State Boards a plan for increasing the circulation of the State paper which has proven very successful in Georgia and Tennessee. It is to apportion to each district association an adequate number of subscribers to be secured; and that each association distribute this number among the churches composing that body.

President Wilson is said to drink only water, at least no alcoholic liquors. This would seem the only consistent course for the representative of a dry nation, and an army which at home at least is forbidden the use of liquor.

The Standard of Chicago, reporting Dr. Gambrell's speech at the Northern Baptist Convention says: "His message was so punctuated by applause and laughter that to save space we ask our readers to assume both after every other sentence."

Missouri Baptists had a called conference of those interested in the general welfare of the denomination at Kansas City, June 10-11. This meeting is to consider among other things the question of single alignment with either the Northern or Southern Baptist Conventions.

Great advance and improvement have been made in surgery, sanitation and general medical treatment in the army; and yet more American soldiers died of disease during the war than were killed in battle. But it must be remembered that a small proportion of them ever got into battle.

Some one has pointed out the result of failure of the United States Senate to ratify the peace treaty because of the League of Nations article, or for any other cause. One result would be that we would find ourselves alone at war with Germany, for it becomes effective for them when Great Britain, France and Italy sign it.

A telegram from Dr. Truett announces that Dr. L. R. Scarborough has accepted the position as general director of the seventy-five million dollar program and began his work June 10th. It will be a matter of great satisfaction to all the forces interested to have Dr. Scarborough to head the work.

The conduct of the liquor men over the prohibition law is like that of the epileptic boy out of whom the demon had been cast, he fell down and wallowed foaming.

Teach me, my God,
In all things thee to see,
And what I do in anything
To do it as to thee."

A report of Mississippi College Commencement by Dr. A. J. Aven will appear next week. We missed all but the banquet on Tuesday night, having to be away in the interest of the paper. We heard many appreciative comments on the sermons and the speeches. There is a move on foot to materially increase the professor's salaries.

The trustees of the Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge will investigate the dancing conditions at that institution. It has been a great surprise to us to hear of parties participating in the dance there who were supposed to be clean from any such practices. The trustees of the Agricultural and Mechanical College in Mississippi might find some work for them in this line if they had a mind to.

The mother was putting her little child to bed. "If you will be real quiet," she said, "I will tell you the story about the prince who killed a dragon and rescued a beautiful princess." "Oh, mother," protested the child, "that story is too undemocratic for the present day. Tell me the fairy tale about the government official who killed the profiteer and rescued the ultimate consumer."—Ex.

Baptist Education Commission R. B. Gunter, Sec'y.

EDUCATION DAY IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS JUNE 29th.

1. The origin of this Day. Like many other great movements, it was recommended by the Southern Baptist Convention. This is to be the third annual observance.

2. How extensive is to be the observance? Every Baptist Sunday School within the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention is expected to observe it.

3. What is the purpose of this day? The purpose of this day is two-fold: First, it is desired that Baptist people shall become acquainted and familiar with Christian education as fostered by our denomination to the extent that they will patronize our own institutions. The second purpose of this day is to obtain offerings for our school work. Just as Foreign Mission, Home Mission and State Mission days are observed to increase interest in mission work, so Education Day is observed for increasing interest in our educational work which is of as great importance as mission work at home or abroad: for all mission work is dependent upon Christian education.

SOME REASONS FOR DOING GREAT THINGS DURING JULY

1. This is the greatest month in the year for Mississippi Baptist schools. It is the only month in the year but what there is other work to claim part of our time. According to our State Program May and June are Educational months. But many churches leave off their Home and Foreign Mission collections until the first of May. Then following this is the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention which takes a week from our churches.

2. Because our school needs are great. We need \$500,000 for new buildings right now. We could fill four or five new dormitories with girls next session in addition to the dormitories which we already have. We need Library buildings, Science, Music and Hospital buildings.

3. Because our opportunities are as great as our needs. The opportunities make our needs. The fact that the world is under reconstruction broadens our opportunities. The call of the nations of the earth for a message of liberty, individuality and democracy makes great our opportunity and calls for our best. The increasing number of girls who are crowding to the doors of our schools and asking for entrance that they may go out into the various sections of the land to magnify the name of Jehovah, should stir the very depths of our souls. For the destiny of our race depends upon the womanhood of the land. And the womanhood depends upon the kind of education our girls receive. We now have the opportunity of preparing a leadership capable of making such a nation as this complex age needs. Both the mind and the soul of the youth are offered us for moulding. What shall we do?

4. Because our ability is great. Real estate values have doubled during the past five years. That means that Baptists are rapidly increasing in wealth. For Baptists compose the largest Protestant denomination in the United States. The Baptist of Mississippi comprise fifty-three per cent of the church membership of Mississippi. It has

been found that Southern Baptists by tithing their income could give in one year \$75,000,000. And if we will be honest with the Lord, we will give it, and it won't be long until we shall be much richer than we are now.

5. "Because we have made great plans. They are great compared with previous plans, but not as great as they should be when compared with the above statements. Less than four dollars per member per year would raise Mississippi's part of the \$75,000,000. Yes, our plans are large. Mississippi's program for education is \$200,000 a year. The Southern Baptist plan is for \$75,000,000 in five years: \$25,000,000 for schools. This should be enlarged. And Mississippi must not quail before this gigantic task. We must 'tote' as well as vote.

6. "Because the results will be great. We may note some fruits of the Christian schools during the history of the United States. Of our twenty-seven Presidents of the United States nineteen have been college men, and seventeen of the nineteen were products of the Christian school. About two thirds of the judges of the Supreme Bench were educated in Christian schools. Of the men in 'Who's Who' of America, over two-thirds were products of the Christian schools. Of the twenty-six masters of American Letters, one was a State School man, eight had no college training and seventeen were products of Christian schools. From 1874 to 1900 the State and municipal schools had more than twice as many pupils as did the Christian schools, but the Christian schools furnished more than four times as many of the prominent men during that period as did the State and municipal schools; State and municipal schools 1351; Christian schools 5436; Non-religious and private schools furnished 432. The Home and Foreign Field has the following interesting figures from the mountain mission, or Baptist denominational schools:

"In 1916 it was found that, since the beginning of the mountain schools, they have sent out 350 preachers, 200 lawyers, 225 doctors, 30 trained nurses, 30 missionaries, and 2,500 public school teachers; 3,000 have returned to the farms, while 900 are engaged in mercantile pursuits, 40 are in banks, and 18 have served as members of state legislatures."

The above facts should be sufficient to convince us that the results will be great, if we multiply our present educational forces by two in the next five years. Let's treble our forces.

June will in a large measure express the attitude of the Baptist pastors towards Christian education. For we are urging upon our pastors and people the importance of every church raising its quota. We are glad to report that many churches have already gone beyond their quota. What we do in June will be an index to the situation which we shall have to face in the future. In the name of our God, let's rise up and possess the land for Him.

Please send your offerings to the Baptist Education Commission at Jackson as fast as made. And please send your Sunday School offering apart from your church offering; at least state what the Sunday School gives, when sending. This all goes for college buildings.

BRO. MUSE'S ARTICLE ON THE Y. M. C. A.

In your issue of April 10, 1919, which by chance fell into my hands today, I found an article written by Bro. A. D. Muse in reply to an editorial of the Jackson Daily News relative to the overseas work of the Y. M. C. A. It is not my purpose to come forward as a defender of the Y. M. C. A. In fact, since I have been in France, I have found a number of things which it has done, and a number of other things which it has left undone that have merited criticism. But Bro. Muse in his article makes some statements that are unfair and unjust, and evidently are the result of misinformation upon his part. I believe in giving even the "devil his dues," and consequently I cannot let Bro. Muse's article go unchallenged. In the

course of his article he dogmatically makes the following statement which I quote verbatim.

"Let the facts be known. The Y. M. C. A. has made an inglorious failure. I knew this before any paper had anything to say on it. I got it direct."

Then after making so positively this surprisingly broad statement he adduces the following facts to prove that the Y. M. C. A. "made an inglorious failure," "and brought ignominious reproach upon the cause of our Lord and Saviour."

He first quotes Drs. Gambrell, Porter and McDaniel to the effect that all the returning soldiers with whom they had talked had nothing but criticism for the Y. M. C. A. Then Bro. Muse offers his facts. Again I quote:

"A young man who is dependable told me that he knew of a friend of his who bought a package of cigarettes when he had been without anything to eat for three days, and the Y. M. C. A. had nothing but cigarettes and they were running low and so they charged him five dollars for a package."

"Another young man told me that it was a common expression in the trenches that the 'Y' men were 'Ditch Dodgers.'" "A high toned Christian young man told me that he did not hear a single sermon in a 'Y' tent while in France."

"Another young man told me this experience. That one night after an awful battle the Salvation Army came through with bread and chocolate and gave to every fellow and when they came to the German prisoners they gave to them as to the rest. The next day the Y. M. C. A. charged them twenty-five cents a cup for the same kind of chocolate."

I have here quoted the entire array of facts that Bro. Muse offers to prove that the Y. M. C. A. has been "an inglorious failure." Now I have been in France over a year and was at the front for three months continuously. The regiment of artillery of which I was chaplain at that time served with six different army divisions on different parts of the front, so that I was enabled to get a fairly comprehensive view of the work done at the front by the welfare organizations. And as a result of my first hand observations of the work of the Y. M. C. A. I unhesitatingly affirm that none of the above facts, if they be facts, are in the least degree representative.

Take fact number one:

"That five dollar cigarette story." Any soldier who has really been at the front and knew conditions as they were would brand that story false on its very face. Anywhere a "Y" man could get with cigarettes for sale at the front, the supply train would also have food for men. But let me grant that this second hand story is true and that the soldier in question actually paid five dollars—twenty-eight francs and twenty-five centimes in French money—for one package of cigarettes. Every fair and honest soldier in the A. E. F. will tell you that was an unusual and unheard of experience. The "Y" sold millions of packages of cigarettes at the customary prices, and the above incident was a remarkable exception and not the rule.

Let us look at fact number two. The quotation that refers to "Y" men as "Ditch Dodgers." I resent very strongly this aspersion and reflection upon the courage of the scores of "Y" men who endured the hardships and dangers of the common soldier at the front. I personally saw the graves of two of them who were killed in action, and the army records show some twenty-four others who suffered the same sad fate in addition to several score who were wounded in action. Of all men the writer of the above article, who spent the months of this entire war in the safe seclusion of the hills of Mississippi is the last man to make any insinuation or cast any reflections on the many noble courageous men who came as Y. M. C. A. workers, at a great sacrifice, to contribute to the morals and physical well being of the soldiers.

Take fact number three. The high-toned Christian young man who did not hear a sermon in a "Y" tent in France. Does the writer mean to imply that the "Y" workers exerted no religious in-

fluence, and that the "Y" tents were never used for religious purposes? In the same issue of the Record in which his article appears there is a statement accredited to Dr. M. E. Dodd, an ex-overseas "Y" secretary in which he says that he has the names of over three hundred men who took a definite stand for Christ. Dr. Truett, Dr. H. A. Porter and many others have stated the same thing, growing out of their experience as overseas Y. M. C. A. secretaries.

I have been for some time Senior Chaplain of the 78th Division. One of my duties has been to see that all of the thirty thousand men in my division were given an opportunity each Sunday to give expression to their religious life. The religious department of the "Y" has co-operated with me in every way, and I personally know that at least one religious service (very often two) has been held in every hut or tent in the division each Sunday. So that I do not believe the statement of that returned soldier is representative of the religious work of the Y. M. C. A.

As to the fourth story about the twenty-five cent chocolate, it like the rest, is a distortion of facts. When the "Y" sold chocolate, and more often it was given away, the price was twenty-five centimes a cup—equivalent to about four cents American money. But this article grows too long. As I stated in the beginning there is much criticism that the Y. M. C. A. deserves. But I do not believe that it is fair or just to an institution that in spite of many failures and mistakes has rendered a great service to the army to make the wholesale and broadcast charge that it is "an inglorious failure" and that it "has brought ignominious reproach upon the cause of our Lord and Savior." Especially when such conclusion is drawn from the kind of facts that Bro. Muse offers. Let us be at least fair, even in our criticism of the Y. M. C. A.

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CAN THE NEW THEOLOGY SAVE

(Continued from last week.)

I confess that I cannot report favorably regarding many of our Northern schools. While many noble men are to be found in our Northern institutions, yet the destructive criticism of the Bible has made its mark on most of them, though yet fully two-thirds of the members of the theological faculties in our Northern institutions are true to orthodox Christianity—loyal to the Bible.

I was so deeply stirred by this experience that I decided to prepare a new book in which I gave the results of this correspondence, regarding all those burning questions. This book, called "The Crisis in Church and College," is now coming from the press, every page of which is alive with interest. In this volume I have given in full some of these remarkable letters and devoted four chapters to the remedy in our modern education. One of the chapters is made up of excerpts from the most radical books used today in our institutions, giving the titles of these books, the names of the authors, and the pages from which the excerpts have been taken. Dr. W. H. Griffith Thomas, who read and criticized the manuscript, stated that this was one of the most valuable chapters, for now the Christian people would know just what is being taught in many of our institutions today.

This correspondence, while it cannot present a perfect diagnosis, yet it tells its own story. No encouraging note came out of New England, except from our Baptist School in New London, New Hampshire. A circle could be drawn around New England and across it the words written, "German Kultur." It was also noticed that all communications signed by persons bearing Teutonic names consisted of a pronounced denial of the Bible as final authority on any question. We do not need elaborated proof to convince us that the war was the product of the German New Theology as seen in politics, or international relations, or better, international anarchy, and that

this subtle propaganda in the education of a nation will produce social, religious and financial chaos. When the speaker argued this fact one year ago in his book "The Modern Conflict Over the Bible" he was laughed at by the Modernists, but it has only taken one year to prove the contention to be true. The mighty Kaiser is now sawing wood, an exile in a foreign country, though one year ago he was the most influential monarch of history, and controlling a personal fortune of \$250,000,000. Like an individual the nation that forgets God and denies His Truth becomes a moral and financial bankrupt. And what this Unitarian movement has done for Germany, it can do for America. This leads us to inquire:

IV. How Does the New Theology Manifest Itself?

There is a three-fold manifestation of this religious movement in our country today.

1st. It manifests itself in the preaching in local churches.

It means spiritual death for the local church. When it becomes established in the pulpit, the day of real progress, Christian experience, joy, peace, hope, and love for that church has passed. The prayer meeting will soon disappear also, and conversions will cease.

2nd. It means the death of distinctive evangelical doctrine and practice. We have a striking illustration of this in some of our churches today. It means death to evangelism, to evangelical Christianity and to the local churches when it becomes entrenched in the pulpits.

3rd The movement of the New Theology or Modernism would wipe out all distinctions between the churches and force them together from the top, as it were, by Church Federation, and thus do a great injustice to the rank and file, or to the right of the Christian people to religious liberty, by this sort of abortive Church Union.

We believe in Christian unity on the basis of Christian truth. There is a well-known financial party in New York that is putting all their power back of this movement. Those most conspicuous are pronounced advocates of the New Theology. They have their agents, their representatives everywhere in America. Just what is the motive on the part of those we may imagine. It cannot be to glorify God and bless men, for they do not advocate Church Union on the basis of one fundamental Christian truth. It is believed by many that the motive is political, that they are planning to have created a great Protestant Church Trust whose pulpit this mighty power could control through their numerous agents and friends. Thus they would be assured that the 75,000,000 Protestants in America are through the pulpits of the great Church Trust taught to protect capitalism or the present social order, and thus make it possible for these men and their children's children to continue to be the financial masters of the world. If this is the motive it must fail, for no religious trust can permanently control the thinking of a great nation.

Another method to further this scheme is to control as far as possible all the higher education of the nation. Talk about trusts in oil, steel, coal, copper; but here is the most gigantic of all trusts—an effort to control the higher education of 110,000,000 people. Moneys are given to this school and that, North, East, West and South. And wherever money is given, there this trust has established its influence. In devious ways, unknown to us, teachers of Modernism will be procured and text-books written by the Modernists will be studied. We can guess the result.

Those earnest, noble, well-meaning people in America who go to that financial source for funds for their institutions think they are doing a good service, but I want to tell them that they are helping to forge the chains that some day will make us a nation of religious slaves—slaves to a system of respectable infidelity. These friends are unwittingly assisting in a gigantic conspiracy to steal the Baptist and other bodies

and give them to the advocates of "German Culture."

The Baptists of this Southland are the great stronghold which they are now laying their plans to capture. Already they got some of you to go on committees to consider the question of a world-wide Church Federation. Their object is to ultimately morally force you into the trap by an indirect method, a sort of world-pressure, as it were. Are you going to permit yourselves to be fooled by this conspiracy, created in hell against the soul-winning forces of the Church of Christ? You are a serious obstacle to their intrigues. You believe in the blood of Christ and in the inspiration of the Bible; you believe in real democracy; but this is a religious autocracy. Some method must be found to force you in. You must be liberalized, broadened so you can hold sweet Christian fellowship with Unitarians and all other advocates of German theology.

Finally: When they will have gotten all the denominations federated, then the next and final step will be to effect an organic union. This combination of rich men who control \$22,500,000,000, or a sum as great as all the assessed property west of the Missouri, will, with the Federation, have the churches under their partial control, but with organic church union they will have the churches beneath their feet. They will be the religious masters of Protestantism. They will control our schools, they will decide the character of the instruction given in our schools, and then the good Old Theology of Calvary and the Open Grave will exist only in religious history. This, then, is the program. Do we want it?

This is the great crisis that we, as Christians, are facing today in America. And hear me! We can no longer evade it or compromise with it! We must meet this subtle menace in the open, squarely, like brave Christian men, and we must call a halt on the part of those who have been ensnared. We must refuse their funds, their money is a curse, it is alive with the fires of hell. We must wash our hands of it. We must depend upon our farmers and our mechanics, our merchants and manufacturers, our servants, and our noble women to rise to the challenge and supply the needed funds to carry on our great work. Men and women of God, we cannot, we must not, dodge this burning issue. God is calling us to action. The battle is on! This New Theology evil, which is allied with a gigantic financial and educational power, must be met and defeated. If they have gotten control of the Y. M. C. A. and some of our educational institutions, and the Church Federation of the North, then we, as Baptists who purpose remaining true, should make it known that it is our firm resolve to remain forever free!

FROM THE BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

The staff of physicians and surgeons, who serve in the wards of our hospital, come from the faculty of the Medical college of the University of Tennessee, which is next door to us. The internes of last year were from their senior class. These are usually graduated, but last year all graduates went to the army, so that internes had to be taken from the senior class.

At the graduating exercises of the college on the 4th of June it developed that the young men who served in the Baptist Memorial had carried off more than their share of the honors. We had two out of the five certificates of Honor, which means over 90 on all studies, and the Faculty medal for the best all round student. Dr. C. E. James who won the medal in addition to the honor certificate and Dr. H. M. Parcell a certificate. Both of these are Union University men, the former a graduate and the latter a student for sometime. Dr. James, the chairman of the trustees stated, led his class every year and showed high grade ability in scholarship and skill, and high character beside. He is a young preacher, having served as pastor during and after his graduation at Jackson and until he decided to prepare for medical missionary work. He will enter upon this work when all things

are ready. He has commanded the respect and esteem of all, as he has served in the hospital, both as a physician and a man. He has not been too busy to go out and preach as he has been called upon.

The contractor is on the job building the third unit of the hospital; work began the first of the month. The beautiful quiet, order and cleanliness of our House of Healing will be disturbed to a degree by building changes, since the dining room, laundry and operating rooms will be involved. The end of the year will find the new wing standing in goodly proportions in answer to the demand for more room.

The report of the Committee on Hospitals made to the Southern Baptist Convention in Atlanta, is an interesting one; see minutes page 91. It shows 12 hospitals in the bounds of the convention under Baptist control. Ours is one of the largest, best and most prosperous. Our people of the three states may well be proud of it and give to it all manner of support.

We were glad to have Dr. King, superintendent of the Baptist Hospital, Jackson, Miss., as a visitor recently. In fact the Mississippians cut quite a figure in these parts all the time.

M. D. JEFFRIES.

"QUESTIONABLE DANCING"

(Editorial in N. O. Times-Picayune.)

The trouble with "questionable dancing" is that there is nothing questionable about it—it is quite unquestionably bad! In the great up and down of the dance, from the very beginning of history, each periodic dip has reached some revolting level of vulgarity that has forced a revulsion of feeling and—blue laws!

So now, at the very outset of our comments, let us warn those who may seek to excuse the present-day spasm of dance depravity that unless there is a quick and well ordered betterment of conditions, inaugurated from within the ranks, there is sure to be coming from the outside the dancing fold, that, for a generation at least, will place an indiscriminating ban upon all such social enjoyments.

Such convulsions as that recorded on the social seismograph in Baton Rouge are, we regret to say, not unique but typical, not accidental but the logical and unavoidable ultimate of dance conditions that have been developing in this and other states for months and even years. There has been a gradual undermining of the sensitive feelings of a large element of the public until today actions are tolerated and moralities accepted in connection with social functions which until recently would have have subjected those who attempted or suggested them to instant ostracism.

History, broadly speaking, repeats herself, but she always does so with certain artistic variations, and the characteristic, as we see it, of the present period of dance degradation is that it attacks most virulently the very young. It is striking at our boys and girls, our young women and young men, and thus at the very roots of our future society.

The infection seems to be a kind of social Bolshevism which appeals to the natural lawlessness of young adventurers in life who thoughtlessly will dare any peril for the sake of immediate excitement.

What share of blame for this disgrace should be assessed to parents and how much to social conditions at large we will not attempt to suggest, but there seems little doubt that much of it must fall upon the decay of family life. The loosened bond of the fireside has sent the young—together with the old—to public amusement resorts where the sanctity of the domicile does not protect them.

In discussing this distressing theme The Times-Picayune speaks with deep regret but with a correspondingly profound earnestness, for beneath the many things that have been made public there are many more that have not been told, that cannot properly be told, in the public print. These are not merely isolated instances but refer to whole groups of facts showing the extent to which the disease has gnawed. The social harm must be excised, painful as may be the cutting.

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EDITORIAL.

MR. SHAKESPEARE MISREPRESENTS BAPTISTS.

We confess we had no sympathy with what seemed to us the hypercritical attitude of some American Baptists toward Rev. J. H. Shakespeare who has long been a leading man among English Baptists. We have no interest in gendering, harboring or propagating suspicions of a brother who is in any way making a fight for truth and righteousness such as we hoped Mr. Shakespeare was doing. He was and is the secretary of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and was supposed to represent the Baptist principles. They greatly needed a strong and constant advocate. He was greeted on this side as representative Baptist from England, both in the Pan-Baptist Congress and at one time in the Southern Baptist Convention. We had hoped for the best in him and through him.

But if he is correctly represented, and we have no reason to question that he is, in recent reports of his efforts at church union, then he is utterly and radically at variance with all Baptists that we ever saw and all statements of our faith which we have ever read. He entirely misrepresents Baptists. The information comes to us through a Presbyterian paper interested in the Union question, which reports apparently with entire sympathy the statement formulated by self-appointed representatives of various denominations in England recently in an effort to secure organic union of the various churches. These men are members of Baptist and Methodist Churches and the Church of England, probably others also.

They make a statement of some points on which there are differences, and then undertake to make a "statement of agreement on matters relating to order." Some of the statements are hazy and capable of diverse interpretation. Others are clear and these are they which contradict the fundamental position of Baptists.

One of these is as follows: "That our Lord ordained in addition to the preaching of His Gospel, the Sacrament of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, as not only declaratory symbols, but also as effective channels of His Grace and gifts for the salvation and sanctification of men, and that these sacraments, being essentially social ordinances, were intended to affirm the obligation of corporate fellowship as well as individual confession of Him."

We cannot conceive of any statement that would suit Romanists, high church Episcopalians, and Campbellites better. We can see how a Methodist could swallow it as being in accord with their discipline. It seems to us a Presbyterian would be likely to gag a bit at it. But we know of nothing which could more truly misrepresent the Baptist position.

Baptists are often misrepresented by others as putting too much stress on Baptism, but they

are almost the only ones who attribute no saving efficacy to it whatever. A prominent Methodist minister now in Jackson is said to have sprinkled a baby 36 hours after it died. To a Baptist this was a horrible sacrilege. No Baptist preacher in this country that we have ever heard of attributes one ounce of saving value to either ordinance. And no statement of our faith adopted by any Baptist body ever intimated that it had any such value or effect. We protest that Mr. Shakespeare entirely misrepresents Baptists and has departed from the faith if he ever had it or was in it.

We are not surprised to hear of his willingness to accept Episcopal ordination by the Church of England. That is where he belongs and he should find his place among them as soon as possible. If there were any such thing as organic union, and there is not outside of Romanism, surely, Baptists could not unite with people who believe in sacramental salvation. We do not believe in any effort to co-operate with people who depart from the truth on the primary point of how to be saved.

THE PERSON IS FINAL

Christianity is strongly and characteristically individualistic. Other systems may put emphasis on the race, or nation, or state or family, but the religion of Jesus begins with the man and ends with the man. The "every creature," and the "whosoever" single out the individual and address the gospel message to him. When it comes to the matter of salvation, or to the matter of Christian duty, each one must decide and act for himself. There is no intervening person or institution which convey the new life to or prevent its attainment by any soul which come to God. This is a scripture teaching which we cannot afford to forget or minimize.

It is true that much is being said today about a social gospel, a message that puts the emphasis upon our obligation to man and our relationship to one another. We ought to welcome anything that helps us to a fuller appreciation of the purpose and program of Jesus; that enables us to understand the implications and applications of his teaching to modern conditions in society and business and government, in labor and capital, obligations to the poor and the duties of wealth. Modern conditions will help us better to understand and interpret Jesus. His spirit and his truth are eternally needed and applicable.

But when all this is said, if we forget the individual in the mass we have no real Christian compassion or motive. A man who thinks he is a philanthropist because he talks about bettering conditions or even gives money to better them, when the care of an individual makes no appeal to him or elicits no concern, is simply deceiving himself. He is in the case of the man of whom Paul says, "Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body that I may boast, and have not love, it profiteth me nothing." The only right purpose in improving conditions is that the individual may come to be what God wanted him to be.

This brings us to the scriptures we had in mind. (The introduction is all that we ever have space for in these columns.) Paul puts it as the objective of all grace and the end of all effort that "we all attain . . . unto a full-grown man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ." All corporate associations, all fellowship in the body and service of Christ, all collective and united plans, for the uplift of men by the churches or by any institution which has imbibed something of the Spirit of Jesus, if they succeed, must have as their aim the perfection of the individual man. All else is subsidiary and contributory to this, that the person may reproduce the image of God. When we lose sight of this we lose connection with the original purpose of God. For in the beginning he said, "Let us make man,"—not men; he is not

so much interested in the number, but "man", and "let us make him in our own image."

We will do well to keep in sight of this, that the person is final. And we will do better if we not simply recognize this in theory, as our philosophy, but adopt it as our religion, that in our own persons we may at last "demonstrate (prove) what is the will of God, the good, the well-pleasing, the perfect."

THEY THAT HEAR SHALL LIVE.

Recently in these columns something was said about religion and the five sense. It was not meant by anything that was said to discount the value of these sense in the service of religion or in acquisition of knowledge. The literal use of some of them is necessary and the figurative use of all are mentioned in the Bible as important in the receiving or making known of the truth.

First of them all in time and second to none in importance is the faculty of hearing as a means of grace and of salvation. Students of pedagogy today are saying much that magnifies the sense of sight as the instrument for gaining knowledge. We are not going to enter into any argument with these wise men as to the relative value of sight and hearing, but we do insist that the religious value of hearing is at least first in time as one acquires the knowledge of God. It would be interesting to trace this matter with a concordance and references in your study of the Bible. But there is not space for it here. A few pivotal passages must suffice for our purpose.

Put the emphasis in your reading now on the word "hear" in some such passages as these. Take for example the one at the head of this article: "They that hear shall live." Jesus in the fifth chapter of John is answering the Jews who objected to his exalted claims of divine sonship. Instead of softening it down and explaining it away as in any sense a figure of speech he advances the claim to be honored equally with the Father, and he proposes to make good his pretension by saying, He that heareth my word and believeth on him that sent me, hath eternal life and shall not come into judgement. With solemn emphases he says, The hour cometh and now is when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and they that hear shall live." The whole result hinges upon hearing.

It is like the passage in Romans which says: "Faith cometh by hearing," or it takes you back to Isaiah, who said "Hear and thy soul shall live." The awakening to life comes with the trumpet sound of the word of God. As men asleep are awakened by calling, so men dead in sin are summoned to life by the voice of God in his word. How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? We must bring men to hear the gospel. We must carry the gospel message to them who will not come.

But men to whom the word is preached must bear in mind that there are two kinds of hearing. One is merely with the ear and the other is with the understanding. In one place we are told that those with Saul of Tarsus heard the voice as he neared Damascus. In another place we are told that they did not hear it. They were conscious of the noise, but did not get its meaning. Many a man hears a sermon, and yet he does not hear it. He must like Lydia "attend unto the things that are spoken." It is one thing simply to hear, another to hearken. They that hearken (margin of Am. Rev.)—they that hearken shall live."

OUR PAPER AND OUR PROGRAM

There is one thing as plain as the nose on a man's face, that publicity is the first essential toward carrying through our program for \$75,000,000 in the next five years. Every avenue to the attention of the more than two million of Baptists must be kept open and kept busy. Those that are open must be enlarged and improved.

It goes without saying that the one means of

information above every other available for Mississippi Baptists is the Baptist Record. It is more than ever an absolutely essential agency for promoting interest and information with reference to our enlarged program. We must make the paper worthy of this great cause it represents, worthy the truth we hold and teach, worthy our nearly 200,000 Baptists in the State and worthy of the big task we are assuming. You, brother and you, sister, can help to do it. Contribute of your best thought. We want to make every issue of the Record a live number, henceforth. We hope for improvement in appearance and contents and will welcome any suggestions or other aid to that end.

To attain this and to bring the denominational message to all our people we need immediately a greatly enlarged subscription list, to more than double our present number of readers. It is easy to get subscribers to the paper wherever it is properly presented; was never so easy as now. But one man cannot do it all; nor could a dozen men. It must in most cases be done by the churches and pastors themselves through a good sermon on the subject and a personal canvass of the membership. The paper must be pushed on its own merits and read for the inspiration it brings. Pastors and deacons and members of the W. M. U., do you love the Lord's work enough to put this matter on your heart and the consciences of the people.

Two and a half years ago Mississippi Baptists started on a five year program including as one item in it the increase of the number of subscribers to the Record to 15,000. This seems in some way to have been lost sight of, for nothing has been done toward it except by the personal efforts of those connected with the paper and a few friends, fewer than the fingers on your hand. We shall have something to say later about enlargement, but this much has been said to stir up your pure mind by way of remembrance. Let's get under this part of our program which makes all the rest possible.

Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, we hear, has declined the position of Executive Secretary of the Education Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, and has accepted the presidency of Mercer University, Greenville, S. C. It will be a matter of regret to all except South Carolina that he will not be at the head of the new Education Board. His going is a great loss to the Seminary as he had come to be recognized as one of the greatest teachers and most sought after lecturers among Southern Baptists. The Education Board meets next week in Birmingham and will have to perfect an organization and look out for a secretary. Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Rev. H. L. Martin, Drs. W. A. Borum and Zeno Wall are in Atlanta this week attending the meeting of the Home Mission Board and the committee on the big campaign.

The American Baptist Publication Society has under consideration a great denominationally-owned paper for the whole of the Northern Baptist convention, and the matter will probably be brought before that body in Denver. Its plan was to absorb all the present papers in that territory. The Watchman Examiner refused to consent to the arrangement and gives its reasons thus: 1. The territory is too large. 2. It will not succeed financially or in its advocacy of the work done by the convention. 3. It would imperil the unity of the denomination either by its espousing certain divisive doctrines or fall by being neutral. To our way of thinking there is nothing that can take the place of the state paper, which represents both local and general interests. The Watchman Examiner does not propose to surrender the field, and we hope it will continue to fulfill its high mission.

Pastor J. W. Dickens of Lafayette, La., asks the prayers of his brethren in Mississippi for a meeting in his church about which his heart is much engaged. He is to be assisted by Dr. R. P. Mahon.

Dr. H. M. King, pastor of the Second Church, Jackson has been asked by the Board of Trustees of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital to give his whole time to superintend the institution and to raise the amount needed for enlargement and equipment. He is a man equal to a great task and none could be found who would secure more readily and unanimously the cordial support of everybody in the State. His church is unwilling to give him up, but an arrangement will probably be made to give him a leave of absence for sufficient time to finish the special campaign.

The United States Senate last week passed a resolution expressing sympathy with those who are seeking Irish independence and asking that the representatives of the so-called Republic of Ireland be permitted to present their plea to the Peace Conference in Paris. We were glad to see that Senator Williams had the backbone to vote against it. It is as if the British Parliament should pass a resolution expressing the wish that Indians in the United States should be made into an independence government. If Congress would spend its time attending to its own business the country would fare better, and we would not draw upon us the resentment of people whose affairs we now meddle in.

The Survey Committee of the Northern Baptist Convention reported: "Our greatest hindrance to advance today is that we are not reaching our constituency. They know little about what the denomination is doing. We have no way getting the facts before them." In other words the problem is that of putting the denominational paper in the homes of the people. And they propose to remedy this by having a denominationally owned weekly paper. They say that the money is available for this purpose. Certainly the key to all progress in our work is the circulation of a good paper, and some of our people are beginning to awake to this fact. The same amount spent in any state for getting the paper into the homes which is now spent in enlistment work will bring forth five times the benefit to every denominational enterprise.

The Committee on the \$75,000,000 program which met in Atlanta last week divided this up among the various states and assigned \$3,500,000 to Mississippi Baptists. This is somewhat less than we anticipated, but will mean nearly three times amount reported last year or \$700,000 a year for the next five years. Of the total for the whole South for the next five years, \$20,000,300 is to be given for Education; \$20,000,000 for Foreign Missions and \$12,000,000 for Home Missions. The other is divided among hospitals, old preachers and orphanages. The Committee will have headquarters in Nashville, and Dr. L. R. Scarborough has been asked to take charge of the campaign. Elsewhere you will read of his acceptance. The plan is to take subscriptions at one time for the whole five year period, but this may be modified to suit local conditions.

The Editor spent Sunday and Monday in Greenville in the interest of the Record, preaching twice on Sunday and accompanying Pastor Green on a tour of pastoral visiting on Monday. Nearly everybody wanted the Baptist Record and the subscription list is a bout three times as long as it was before. It is a busy burg and people were not always easy to find. A number of others remain, whom we did not see but who have expressed a desire for the paper, and the pastor will look after them. We heard many good things said of the pastor and he is happy in his work. The superintendent of the Sunday school is a live man, Hon. W. R. Toombs. Our stay was made delightful in the home of Judge R. B. Campbell, and we also had the pleasure of a meal with the pastor and his family. Bro. W. J. Reid left his business and carried us in his automobile to see the people. We are much indebted to him whose pastor it was our privilege to be when we were both younger. Other friends of other days gladdened our visit.

CONSERVING THE TRUTH THROUGH THE PRINTED PAGE

The first book ever printed was a Latin Bible. The first Baptist periodical ever published was a Missionary Magazine. The printed page has come to be the mightiest force in the modern world, and true to genius, it has proved a powerful agency in the spread of Baptist principles and the promotion of world-wide missions.

The person today, who says, "I do not know how to lead one to Christ; I have not been trained to such work and besides I am too timid to pray or talk to the unsaved; show their ignorance or display their indifference behind that excuse as a shield, for 'where there is a will, there is a way.' With the Bible as guide and 'tracts' to silently hand in place of your speech and composition; sermons printed by noted preachers, all free, or at a nominal price of two cents each. The way, the truth, the light of the gospel in these tracts, that these students of the Bible have with God's help offered you this opportunity as a trust to read and know, and they give you this blessing not merely for yourself alone, but to pass it on to others.

Who among us dare say we know enough without taking the time and trouble to read them, forget the best sermons, the best information, the present facts of religious affairs, the needs, the results of efforts tried from such needs are conserved only through the printed pages. The Baptist periodicals are to the Baptist people, what the music of artists through the phonograph are to the musicians; they hear it in that way when perhaps they may never hear the prima donna herself. We read truths from great noted men we may never hear speak and the greatest examples of these are the words of Jesus and Paul's letters to his followers.

By obtaining the tracts of these men of today, sending them to others, who knows but that you may be the means of enlightening many a life of darkness into the sunshine of God's love. The Home Mission Board issues tracts and other means of information on the departments of its work, likewise the Foreign Mission Board, the Sunday School Board, our W. M. U. Literature Department and with the publishing of Baptist magazines we can no longer afford to show our ignorance in these modern times when this knowledge is before the world. Ask your pastors for the address where you can obtain this free information and fill your life with the blessings abounding in them from God's love, through these agencies. There is nothing we need to be ignorant about.

Do you understand tithing in its practical methods? The knowledge is free for there is someone whose duty has led them "to tell it. His telling is the seed; your mind and hand, the sower and what should the harvest be? "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall without doubt come again with rejoicing bring his sheaves with him."

What is the sower? Jesus answers, "As my question in Luke 8:11 'The seed is the Word of God.'"

What is the sower? Jesus answers, "As my Father hath sent me unto the world, even so send I you." Jesus also says, "The good seed are the children of the Kingdom." What are good seed for, but to be buried and die in order that a new harvest may spring forth? This thought of Jesus is that only as the word of God finds expression in the life and labors of His children, may we hope for a harvest of redeemed souls, and if their salvation depends largely upon us to scatter the seeds sown by this agencies, can be neglectful? May we thirst for greater knowledge, may we utilize this mission literature, may we ask God to show us, the way, accepting "His will be done," that blessings may come to others through us and react in our own lives ten fold: (The seed, the sower, and the harvest) (The word of God, the Children of God and Redeemed Souls.)

ROSA L. RAY.

April 28, 1919.

A WORD TO PASTORS AND ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

(L. J. Van Ness, Cor. Sec'y.)

I would like to call special attention to the program which has been prepared for Christian Education Day, which is to be observed in the Sunday Schools on June 29th.

I heard this program read yesterday by a little group just to see whether it was effective. It proved to be one of the most interesting brief programs of the kind I have ever listened to.

It is a dialogue representing a group of workers in a remote church talking over conditions; then the representatives of one of the colleges comes into see them; he answers their questions and arouses them, and stirs their interest in education. The result is set forth in a vivid way. A half-hour is sufficient to carry out this program.

The message of Christian Education will be sent home by this little dialogue program more effectively than by our many speeches. Others will urge upon you the collection features, but I want to urge the use of this program far and wide for the message it will bring about our Baptist schools.

SEED THOUGHTS

(J. H. Gambrell)

As a rule "old time" preachers, though mainly without educational advantages, got at the heart of the scriptures, and "camped" there. It was rare for one to swamp the teaching of his text with gorgeous illustrations. Most of their illustrations were taken from the Bible. They re-inforced scripture with scripture. Gen'l. M. P. Lawry, Col. Lewis Ball, Martin Ball, A. H. Boothe, J. A. Hackett, A. A. Lomax, D. I. Purser, J. B. Hamberlin, T. G. Sellers, M. V. Noffsinger and many other were men of that type. They were doctrinal and evangelistic preachers.

The best balanced preacher can conduct a blood warm soul winning meeting, baptize the saved and indoctrinate them. That is the scriptural program. But some preachers are more fruitful on one line than the other and it is advantageous for them to co-operate, or swap work occasionally.

The program Jesus gives each church is: Preach, baptize and teach the things He commands. He promises to be with churches that do those three things.

The "Declaration of Faith" adopted by Baptist Churches, generally found in "Church Manual" by J. M. Pendleton, D. D., is a most remarkable document in many respects: (1) Doctrinal statements are concise, but amply clear. (2) The Scriptures, teaching each doctrine, are quoted, in part and references to all others are given. Every statement is fortified. (3) There is no resort to reasoning, or "what scholars say", but God's word, only, is assumed to be the settlement of all questions, as it will be ultimately. (4) The spirit of reverence pervades the entire document. This is noteworthy, when it is remembered that doctrines, about which all religious debates take place, are dealt with. "Debaters" could learn something, worth while, in this small volume. (5) The candid enquirer after truth, will "find a friend indeed" in this brief treatise. No deductions are resorted to, no rhetorical appeal to logic is made. God is permitted to state His own truth, in His own words. Baptist, or not, study the little book.

The Bible pronounces serious penalties on those who misrepresent its teachings. False doctrine is not changed by "honest" ignorance nor are its results. The name of that thing, called "honesty," which puts God's holy truth on a par with false teaching, is clearly something else that need not be mentioned. There is current a boasted "broad-mindedness," in dealing with the Bible, that comes under it woes.

The Bible was written under the direction of the Holy Spirit, and He will make its teachings plain to those who are teachable. To know the mind of the Spirit, is to know what is true and what is false. The supremest human folly is to assume to speak for God, and misrepresent what

He says. The woes of the Bible are pronounced on such. Whether they will come here, or hereafter, does not matter.

"The church of your choice" is not Bible language. It sounds "liberal," and assumes there is Bible authority for all sorts of churches. It is human folly, with a religious glow and enthusiasm. Christianity is one thing. The Bible tells about Scribes and Pharisees also. Dallas, Texas.

Budget Laymen Department

N. T. TULL, Superintendent

Durant Baptist Church—Financial Report of the Single Budget System for the Month of May, 1919:

Receipts—	
Sunday School Offerings	\$ 28.33
Envelope Offerings	337.39
Total	\$365.72
Disbursements—	
Home Uses:	
Pastor's Salary	\$166.66
Financial Secretary	10.00
Janitor	8.00
Lights	5.00
Books	6.41
Total	\$196.07
Denominational:	
State Missions	27.43
Home Missions	24.14
Foreign Missions	28.52
Ministerial Relief	2.19
Christian Education	13.17
Orphanage	8.77
Hospitals	5.49
Total	\$109.71
Balance on Hand	\$ 59.94
Grand Total	\$365.72

The above statement shows report of the first month's business of the Durant Church under the Single Budget System. Out of 185 subscribers to the budget, 170 made offerings during the month. This too with the pastor absent two Sundays during the month.

The pastor has given me permission to quote the remark he made to me the afternoon I reached Durant to assist in putting on the budget. He said: "If you put the budget on in Durant I will give you a certificate of proficiency. I will know then that you can put it on anywhere."

It seems that the experience of the church in its financial methods heretofore fully justified any trepidation the pastor may have had. I will say that I never met with a more delightful response than was given to my efforts to assist this church in settling its financial worries. They put on an adequate budget, with \$2,000 for pastor's salary, and then over-subscribed the entire budget by \$1,000.00.

Now, when the brethren talk about Durant, they will not think of spelling it with a "Due" In other words, the budget has taken all the "rant" out of Durant.

Some other churches can get in the two thousand dollar class if they will raise the pastor's salary \$500 at one jump. Durant did it. So can you if you will put on the budget just according to the teachings of the Budget Man.

Crystal Springs is putting on the budget and will pay their new pastor \$2,400. That's another nice raise. Crystal Springs is the first church this Budget Man visited in his work as budget superintendent. That is why he rejoices to see them come under the plan in a worthy manner.

Clear Branch, the first church visited in the Rankin County Campaign, put on the budget,

and has since made its first offering through the plan, which amounted to \$36.50. The most the church ever gave at any one mission offerings was \$15.00, so the pastor says.

The following is quoted from a letter from Bro. Moore, Superintendent of District 5: "I have just received a letter which I wish you could read. It is from a girl who was made church treasurer of a little church in Greene county, twenty miles from railroad, twenty-one members on roll, sixteen resident members. Results of first month's offering, \$22.42, and more to follow." This is another church where the budget was put on in a church-to-church campaign.

The secret in doing what we call denominational work is never to become discouraged and never to acknowledge defeat. How can a man be defeated if he makes an honest effort, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit?

Some of our campaign managers have thought they were not accomplishing anything because they did not have large crowds. I believe that personal work is valuable in the development of a Christian and a church the same as in the salvation of the lost. I believe it was made easier to put the budget on in great shape over at Drew last February because I talked budget to Dr. Maxwell, one of the leading members, for twenty miles on the train two years ago.

If the country preachers could know the point of view of the country people without holding the point of view of the country people they could develop the country churches much faster. I know the point of view of the country people myself, but I know it in order that I might if possible change it, when it comes to the matter of giving. The country pastor too often knows the point of view of the country people in order that he may conform to it himself in the matter of giving and leading them in giving.

There could be no non-contributing churches in Mississippi if there were no non-contributing pastors. Every church would at least be able to report for missions what the pastor himself had given. A pastor cannot teach missions by precept unless he teaches it by example.

If the Baptists of the South fail to give the \$75,000,000 during the next five years it will be because of a faithless leadership. The people will give the money if they are taught to do it and led to do it. The responsibility rests on the pastors.

Nearly all the money given during the month of May was given by the budget churches. The same will be true from now on until the state mission "round up." It would be so much better if every church were giving to every cause every month. That is the purpose of the budget plan.

It has been impossible to find pastors in the state who were competent to put the budget on in the country churches in the church-to-church campaigns. Many of them thought they knew all about the plan until they tried to explain it to others. I wish every pastor in the state would sit down and study the budget plan and think it through before he build another sermon. And I suspect the Sunday School man, and the B. Y. P. U. man, and the W. M. U. lady, feel the same in reference to their special work.

"Dear Bro. Tull: We have had a pretty hard fight in this campaign, but I really believe it will prove to be a great success. Bro. Chisholm has been doing the best work I ever knew him to do. I think we will land the Unified Budget in eight of the twelve churches. There is no way in which to measure the good that will come from this campaign. My own life has been enriched and my visions enlarged. We make the last church tomorrow. I will send in my report as soon as we finish. I am sure that you will hear from Walthall later.

"W. A. MURRAY,
"Chairman Walthall County."

COMMENCEMENT AT WOMAN'S COLLEGE

Fire and epidemic have not halted the upward course of the Woman's College. Without the loss of a single day we have come to the end of the seventh session with a total enrolment of 426 students. Our commencement exercises began on Friday evening with the

Expression Contest

for the Smith medal. Five young ladies of the first year competed for this medal. They were: Misses Kathleen Taylor, Taylor; Cecelia Yancy, Grand Junction, Tenn.; Theta Plunkett, Denver, Col.; Ruth Fitzgerald, Crenshaw; Mamye Lockhart, Magee. The medal was awarded to Miss Kathleen Taylor, the young daughter of our Bro. Taylor, the pastor at Taylor, Miss. Saturday evening a great audience came out to be present at the

General Concert

which was participated in mainly by members of the primary and intermediate departments. One of the numbers enjoyed most thoroughly was called "Scenes at the Depot" giving a picture of a typical day in the Hattiesburg Station. Sunday morning we enjoyed the

Baccalaureate Sermon

by Rev. M. K. Thornton of the Main Street Church in Hattiesburg. The great auditorium of the First Church was crowded by the student body and large numbers of our friends. Bro. Thornton departed from the regulation commencement sermon and brought a simple, straight-forward message upon faith as the guiding principle of life. Bro. Thornton is endearing himself to his congregation and the citizens of Hattiesburg in general.

Sacred Concert.

Sunday night the Sacred Concert was presented by the Glee Club and other members of the music department. The Gallia, under the direction of Mrs. Joiner was especially enjoyed. The Sunday School Normal Course diplomas and seals were delivered, numbering this year about 425, including the Red and Blue Seals. On Monday morning at 10 o'clock the student body and assembly of friends marched to the site of the new dormitories to witness breaking of ground for the new buildings. Rev. Paul Hardin, of the First Methodist Church read an appropriate passage of Scripture and prayed. W. F. S. Tatum made a few remarks and Victor Scanlon, chairman of the \$50,000 campaign committee, threw out the first spadeful of dirt. After singing, "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," by the audience, Bro. W. S. Allen lead in prayer and a large force of workmen began operations.

Board of Trustees.

On Monday afternoon was held the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees. A full membership was present and many matters of moment to the college were planned.

Graduating Exercises.

Monday evening at 8:15 an immense audience gathered to witness the graduating exercises. The exercises were featured as a "Rose Commencement" the decorations being hundreds of roses of different colors and the diplomas being contained in a beautiful basket constructed of roses. The student body marched into the chapel and sang the college song after which the Sophmores brought in garlands of roses for the Seniors. The baccalaureate address was delivered by Dr. R. J. Bateman of the First Church of Meridian upon the subject of "Woman's Opportunity." His address was said by many Hattiesburg citizens to be one of the finest ever heard in the city. The delivery of medals was one of the most interesting features. Mr. J. E. Byrd gives a medal to the young lady having the highest yearly average in her studies along with a mark in deportment of 100. This medal was won by Miss Emily Denson of Bay Springs, a member of the Freshman class. Rev. W. Y. Quisenberry has established a \$25 gold medal for the best essay upon a Bible subject. The subject this year was "Missions in the Bible." Bro. W. S. Allen, chairman of the committee to grade the essays declares that a large number of them would do credit to any minister. The decision was given to Miss Adelle May Stevens of Meridian. Rev. E. D. Solomon

gives a medal each year for the best kept room. This was won by Miss Corinne Byrd of Mt. Olive, daughter of our secretary Byrd. The T. E. Ross medal for the best English essay was won by Miss Florence Ferguson of Terry, niece of Miss Ervin of the English department. Certificates in the Business Course were delivered to a large class. Diplomas were awarded to six young ladies in Home Science, one in Voice, one in Art, four in Expression, two in Expression, two in Piano, and to sixteen in the Literary Department. Each one of the B. S. and B. A. graduates received also a Blue Seal Sunday School diploma and State License to teach in all schools in Mississippi. It is interesting to note that of these young ladies, twelve have been in attendance five sessions, two for six sessions and one for seven.

The Alumnae Banquet was held at the Hattiesburg Hotel, Monday at 1 o'clock p. m. A large number of former graduates attended and much enthusiasm and good feeling were manifested.

J. L. JOHNSON.

THE HOW OF AN A-1 SUNDAY SCHOOL IN THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH, WINONA, MISSISSIPPI

In 1906 the First Baptist Church, Winona, Miss., elected me to the office of Superintendent of the Sunday School. I asked for two weeks to pray over the matter, and asked that the church members unite with me that the will of the Lord be done.

At the expiration of the two weeks I was impressed that the Lord was directing and accepted the work.

I began at once to pray for light and guidance, and to plan for the development of the Sunday School. Thus I was led as a business man, under God, to a conscious realization of the fact that the Kingdom work of God was the most stupendous business proposition in all the world, therefore required, and must have the very best business principles applied to it, if we dared hope for any measure of success.

As a business man I was never willing to line up with a thing that ranked as a second-class affair. So with an inspiration and an enthusiasm, born of God, my ambition was fired with a determination to make the Sunday School of the First Baptist Church of Winona, Miss., rank among the very best within the bounds of the great Southern Baptist Convention.

My first step was to take an inventory of the department of the Kingdom work, or specific business, over which I had been made the General Manager. Thus I gained an accurate knowledge of its needs, which were prayerfully and tactfully taken care of in a practical business way.

The Sunday School was thoroughly organized. Clean, tactful, consecrated men and women, (Christian men and women) chosen of God, were selected for the officers and teachers and leaders, as far as the pastor and myself could see, for we tried to seek and feel for the Guiding Hand of God's Holy Spirit every step of the way.

However, in order to be sure of my ground, I made the following statement from the Superintendent's platform: "In the event we have made an unfortunate mistake and selected some one for an officer or teacher, who cannot measure up, or who will not strive, under God, to give the very best there is in you to the successful prosecution of the work assigned you, I ask that you kindly come to me at the close of this session and tell me so, and I will excuse you. In the event you do not do so, and later on the fact develops that we have such an one among our official force, I am going to be man enough to come and tell you so and ask for your resignation. This is no place for sentimentalism, it is the great Kingdom work of God and must not be trifled with. I mean this kindly, but positively."

Now my good reader, please do not misconstrue me just here. Any superintendent, who is so arrogant as to assume a "czar-like" attitude and try to domineer over and drive his forces, is indeed a sad misfit, and should have an introduction to the back door of the building.

A real superintendent must be a leader, posi-

tive, when the occasion demands, but always kind, courteous, tactful, businesslike and prayerfully sympathetic. You can lead people who have confidence in you, but you cannot drive them.

Another step. Upon investigation I found the Sunday School in a bad way financially. No system, several hundred dollars in debt.

I at once formulated a plan for the financing of this specific work, based upon I Cor. 16:2. I then invented or designed a Record book, with class envelopes and selected a Loose Leaf Class book to harmonize with the plan.

In presenting this plan to the Worker's Council, I stated that so long as I was the superintendent of the Sunday School there should never be another financial obligation voted upon it for any purpose whatever. And there never has been from that day to this.

Three of the teachers objected to my plan, giving as their reason that "both children and some adults would be driven away by this constant cry for money every Sunday. That a Sunday School was not a money-getting institution."

I replied: "I have no desire or intention to make the Sunday School a 'money-getting institution,' but hope and pray that it may become a mighty power for winning souls to Jesus that He may save them."

"As to this money question, God has given us a plan for the financing of His Kingdom work in this world, and the plan I am offering you is based upon I Cor. 16: 2." I then read the passage of Scripture to them and the plan was adopted. I assured them that they would hear very little from me from the superintendent's platform about money. That I expected them to be leaders, as well as teachers, and lead their forces for the glory of God "In every good word and work."

The plan worked beautifully and in a short while we had paid off every obligation and had money in the treasury, and it has never been empty from that good day to this. Our offerings through the Sunday School have been from \$500 to \$900 annually ever since the plan was adopted.

Another fact that has meant a great deal in the building up of our Sunday School, I have always made it a practice to use every available man, woman and child where it was possible for me to do so. The more people you tie on in this way, the more interest and enthusiasm you create.

The superintendent's program is a matter of vital importance. The superintendent who does not have a carefully, prayerfully planned program for every Sunday morning is a misfit, and should resign, unless, he is willing to take the time necessary to study this feature of the work, and learn how to plan a live program.

I have never gone before our school without a prepared program, typewritten, and mapped out on a schedule by the clock. I am a traveling salesman, and have been on the road for the past 29 years.

I ride day trains and I ride night trains, in cold weather and in hot weather, in wet weather and in dry weather. I work early and I work late, then I work between times, yet I have always found time enough to give from 6 to 8 and 10 hours each week to the preparation of my program for the Sunday School. After my day's work is finished, instead of sitting around hotel lobbies, talking politics, or listening to some fellow spin out a lot of vile talk or dirty yarns, I go to my room, and with my Bible and helps work on my program.

In planning these programs I strive to make every step lead up to, or emphasize some one great truth in the lesson for the day. I always make the opening devotional and the closing evangelistic, and require every department of the school, from the Primary up, to come to the main auditorium for the closing. Just a short while ago it was my supreme joy to see nine boys, an entire class in the Junior Department, come down to the front and surrender their young lives to Jesus. It was indeed one of the greatest moments that I have ever witnessed in our Sunday School.

We have fully measured up to the requirements of the Sunday School Board, at Nashville, every year since the A-1 award system was established.

HARRY L. WATTS, Superintendent.

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WOMEN OF THIRD DISTRICT, ATTENTION!

Our second annual District meeting will be held in Tupelo, June 17-18. The first session opening the 17th at 3 p. m., will be devoted to Young People's Work and Mrs. Edgar Godbold, our State Young People's Leader will be with us. Young people of the third district, please come. Mothers of the district, please come and bring your daughters with you.

These District meetings are new with us and are of the utmost importance. They are Conventions on small scales, being one-sixth as large as our State Convention. For this meeting on the 17-18, there has been prepared a program that will be truly as interesting, as educational, and as inspirational as any of our State Convention programs. Some of the speakers on this program are: Miss M. M. Lackey, our State Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Edgar Godbold, our State Young People's Leader; Mrs. Jefferson Kent, our State Personal Service Leader; a girl from our Training school in Louisville, Kentucky and a Foreign Missionary.

The State Central Committee has just been in session and has given us many helpful plans which need to be discussed and set in operation at this district meeting. Listen Women! If I were asked, "What is the present outstanding need of the W. M. U. work in the third district?" I would reply, "It is that our women attend our Conventions and Rally Day meetings." I would say this not in reproach, but in the sincerest love for the development of our women and with keenest interest in the advancement of our work.

The third district is composed of fifteen counties in Northeast Mississippi: Marshall, Lafayette, Yalobusha, Benton, Tippah, Union, Pontotoc, Calhoun, Chickasaw, Lee, Prentiss, Alcorn, Tishomingo, Attawamba, and Monroe. It is the burning desire of my heart that women and young people from every church in these counties might be present at the Tupelo District meeting on June 17-18. Come, let's worship together, plan together and catch new visions that will inspire us to greater achievements in the Master's Kingdom.

MRS. WILLIAM B. JONES,
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Atlanta, Ga., May 2, 1919.

Miss Margaret M. Lackey,
 Jackson, Miss.
 Dear Miss Lackey:

I write to say that I am sure our Board will provide a house of worship for our Indian work for Rev. J. E. Arnold and wife at Union. So you can tell your good women of Mississippi that we will do so and will appreciate their help. I have made further inquiries and investigations about the work in line with my remarks just before your W. M. U. Convention and we will go forward with that work believing it is all right.

I was so sorry I could not see more of my good friends and fellow-workers during the Southern Baptist Convention but we were so busy we could hardly attend to anything but our work.

Yours very cordially,

B. D. GRAY,

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Corresponding Secretary

FROM HATTIE STALLINGS, KWEI LIN, CHINA

"We go on in our same busy way as I know you do. Each day is interesting with all its ups and downs. Every day we have 30 or 40 women at the hospital to hear the Gospel. Three days each week we have evangelistic meetings for the women, two days for the children besides Sunday; at these services we let our girls and women help and thereby they are training for service.

Two girls, that declare they will not marry the men they have been sold to unless they become Christians, take it time about preaching at the hospital each day. I wish you could hear them, you too, would be proud of them. Six of the girls study at the hospital (two each day), how to care for the sick and afflicted. They help the doctors apply the medicines to the various skin diseases. The Chinese doctors lectures once each week to them and help them study a simple book on nursing. You would be surprised how much this helps in our school. Each week two of these girls have oversight of all ailments at the school. Now this is outside of their regular study. We nearly work them to death, but they love it. Two help at the children's meetings also. On Friday we have the evangelistic meeting at the school. The girls pray for the individual women who come, we are encouraging every one to be strongly evangelistic. They like it! Oh, yes, I found out this week that the girls have their very own services, where each one takes part on Sunday afternoons after we return from Church. As a result we have had 15 baptisms since this time last spring just among the students besides others outside. Our one aim is to give the message first and then help the converts to grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is truly blessed to try to meet such demands. Pray that we may always desire such.

Our Christian families are now all trying to get their girls in school. We have about ten applications, but each one wants a little help and we are helping as many as we have the money for. The average Chinese man cannot feed, clothe and educate his children, for the average salaries are generally between \$5.00 and \$15.00 Mex. per month which is about 4 or 12 gold. If we

expect to develop Christian churches we must take the children of the Christians and others and give them Christian education. We must out of this number train leaders.

So you see my present aim is to teach the children that the God who created them and all things also made a plan to save their souls and wants them to worship Him instead of idols and ancestors. Along with this we are trying to interest every Christian in soul winning. We have a missionary society, 23 were present yesterday. Some of the older girls are members and take part nicely, better than the women for they can read better.

My work is all I know and must needs write about it most.

We have just heard that a Miss Reba Cloud Steward has arrived to take charge of the school at Wuchow. We are glad because they needed someone. I come next in the list of needs, or rather I should say "we." I was thinking of a companion worker. I tell you it is hard to work alone in this China land. Miss Shumate needs a companion worker too. I believe Christ's method of sending by twos was excellent.

The Board granted us \$1,000 Mex. for a small building. It is nearly finished and we are to move next week. My woman's school moved into a separate building yesterday. They have all been together until now. It is best to have them separate and the new building will only accommodate the girls. You would be surprised though to see how much we have for our \$1,000, we are real proud. Only we know that it will not be large enough even next year. How we do thank God for answering our prayers.

Do please write a word or two and say that you still love me a little. My love for you is so strong that I miss you all the time.

Yours as ever,

HATTIE STALLINGS,

Kwei Lin, China.

THE LABORATORY OF LITERATURE

After the meeting an enthusiastic friend came to the speaker and said, "How well you spoke. I wish I could talk as you do. Give me your prescription."

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(Concluded next week.)

B. Y. P. U. DEPARTMENT

Amber J. Wilds, Superintendent.

"We Study That We May Serve."

THROUGH THE SUMMER

Did you ever hear of a B. Y. P. U. that rested through the Summer or winter? I have. I used to know a B. Y. P. U. that used to close up every year about the first of June, (disbanding for the summer) and it was usually about the first of January before they would get back together again. But all those months of idleness the Devil was on the job, you don't ever find the weather too hot or too cold for him to "lay off" and so this B. Y. P. U. after some years of this custom began to realize the truth about the matter and so decided to never "close up" again and that has been about eight years ago. That is one mighty good way to keep a B. Y. P. U. form dying just keep it going. Oh, there will not be a "good crowd" there every time but the union I had reference to experienced some of the most spiritual meetings of its history, when there were "just a few present." The Lord always keeps his word, and he has said "where two or three are gathered together in my name there am I in the midst of them." I am sure you will find in your union the same experience and if your union is one of the ones that has been taking a vacation either in the summer or winter it's time to make a change in the constitution of the Union and make it read: "This B. Y. P. U. shall have regular weekly meetings through the year, regardless of the weather or other conditions." Remember the Devil is on the job all the time and we must beat him.

The Georgia State B. Y. P. U. convention meets this year, this month June 17-19, at Fitzgerald, Ga. Their "Aim" for the convention is "Every Union represented." Their convention has grown to where they have to limit the Unions to two delegates and then have more than they can conveniently care for. We notice two Missionaries on the program this year, Dr. Geo. Leavell of Wuchow, China, and Rev. A. Scott Patterson of Ogbomoso, Africa. We bespeak for the Georgia young people a feast of good things.

Did you do it? Are you going to do it? When are you going to do it? It is a good time to do it now before the roads get dusty. Do what? Organize that other Union.

PASTORS, NOTICE.

Pastors, what are you using your B. Y. P. U. members for? Are you meeting with them to study them, that you may know what talents are being developed so you may use them in the church work? Did you read the list of things given in this column last week for which the Unions will contest this year? One of the things was Church Attendance, you ought to be interested in that. You ought to be interested enough to help them bring that point up to 100 per cent, you can't do it though if you never go to the B. Y. P. U. meetings. Did you know that some of the young people are wondering why you never come to their meetings? And they

think perhaps you are not interested in them and their work and that may be the reason some of them don't attend the preaching and prayer services of the church regularly. If you want to be popular get the young people on your side and the older ones will follow all right, and the inspiration of having the young people in the preaching services will make you a more powerful preacher. If you have no B. Y. P. U. show enough interest in your young people to help them organize one, they need your help and have been wondering why you haven't helped them get started. Young Christians are not bold to take the initiative, if they were full grown spiritual men and women they would not need you as their pastor. They need to be encouraged, shown and helped, and if you do that for them now you will not have to wonder a few years from now why they will not rally to your leadership for

they will be right there to back you up. The B. Y. P. U. will help you get rid of a number of things that perhaps are keeping your church from growing as it should, we have an illustration in this issue, of the Record that shows some of the things that the B. Y. P. U. will help you get rid of. Study the chart and study the work of a real B. Y. P. U. If your B. Y. P. U. isn't helping your church along the lines mentioned in the cut make a diagnosis of the union and see what the trouble is. If you have those things in the church that are mentioned in the chart and you have no B. Y. P. U. try one. It will not make the correction in one day, it sometimes takes a long time but it will do the work.

NEW BORN

A year ago we had an article in the Record, "After Conversion What." About six months ago we sent to all the pastors of the state a tract written by Mr. Frank Leavell "After Baptism What," these two articles had the same purpose in view and were written to the pastors asking them what they were going to do with the New Born Babies in Christ. The same questions comes to us now. It is the

time for protracted meetings and many boys and girls, young men and young women are going to accept the Lord and follow Him in Baptism, and then what are you going to do with them? Don't neglect them this time, and let them drift, put the B. Y. P. U. harness on them and train them for service. Do it and watch them grow.

Energy

THE WORK OF THE KIDNEYS

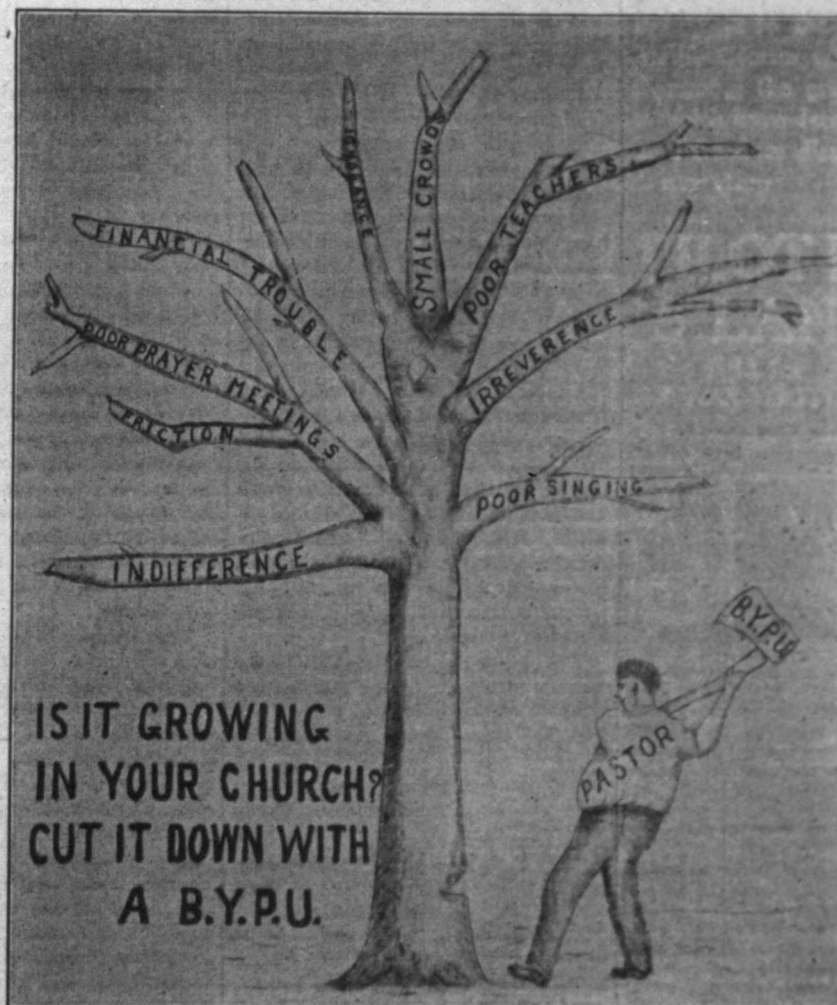
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STORIES FROM CHINA

(T. F. McCrea)

China's Reception to Mr. Taft and Party.

We arrived in China for the first time in October, 1904. It was during the following winter that we had our first thrilling experience as missionaries. As a result of the renewal of the Exclusion Law, which forbids the entrance of Chinese laborers into the United States, the Chinese people became very bitter against the American government and people. They said they did not disapprove of the law itself so much as they resented the harsh and often cruel manner in which it was enforced by the American immigration officials.

It was only four years after the great Boxer Uprising which had brought death to hundreds of foreigners and thousands of Chinese Christians. There was still much of unrest and anger in the minds of the Chinese people. The Chinese along the Yangtze River had always been noted for their turbulence and anti-foreign feeling. There had been many anti-foreign riots in the past. In one of these riots at Chinkiang, the city where we were living, a mob had destroyed all our Baptist Mission property and many other foreign buildings.

As a result of the renewal of the Exclusion Law at this time, the Chinese guilds, which correspond to the Chamber of Commerce in America, had organized an Anti-American Boycott. American merchants had built up a splendid trade with China, amounting to many tens of millions every year, especially in kerosene, cotton goods, flour and machinery. The powerful Chinese guilds struck at this trade. By simply refusing to buy all products made in America the blow they struck was a hard one and American trade in China fell off many millions in a few months. The cities of China were placarded with lurid and bitter anti-American posters and cartoons. Feeling ran high and it was feared that there might be another series of anti-foreign riots. The tension was only relieved when President Roosevelt assured the Chinese government that he had issued strict orders to the American Immigration officials to rescind the harsh measures to which the Chinese objected. In the hundred years of diplomatic relations between the United States and China this is the only serious breach that has ever occurred in their friendship.

The end of the boycott came in the summer of 1905. It was during the summer of the following year, 1906, that the great flood destroyed the crops of the people and caused the awful famine about which I have been writing in these stories. If you have read them you are familiar with the story of how the American missionaries saved the lives of at least one million Chinese peasants. The money and food which enabled them to do this were given by the American people and the American government rendered great aid in forwarding money and food without cost.

This generous act of the American people and government, coming so soon after the boycott, touched the hearts of the Chinese people, both high and low. The feeling of gratitude was intensified at this time by the

act of the American government in returning to China about ten millions of the Boxer Indemnity to be used in the education of Chinese students in American colleges.

In the fall of 1907, a few months after the closing of our famine work in June, the Chinese had an unexpected opportunity to express their feeling both in an official and popular manner. Mr. Wm. Howard Taft, at that time Secretary of War, passed through Shanghai on his way to Manila, the capitol of the Philippine Islands. He was accompanied by President Roosevelt's daughter, Alice, now Mrs. Longworth and a party of Congressmen and their wives.

The Chinese officials and merchants in Shanghai gave Mr. Taft and his party a truly royal welcome. No people on earth can excel the Chinese in doing the proper and courteous thing in the right manner. For countless ages they have made etiquette one of their chief studies. They know how to do the right thing at the right time in the right manner on every possible occasion, whether it be at a wedding, a funeral, the birth of a child, the coming or going of a friend, or whatever the event may be.

They gave a wonderful garden party to Mr. Taft and his friends. It was held in the beautiful grounds of a Chinese millionaire. For the first time in history of China the Chinese ladies were permitted to appear in public to meet the American ladies. There were beautiful decorations, gorgeous fireworks, rich and abundant refreshments. Chinese officials and gentry and their ladies, both sexes, dressed in exquisite satin and silk gowns. Foreign and Chinese bands furnished music and Chinese theatricals furnished amusement for the thronging crowds. Cordial speeches of welcome were made by prominent Chinese officials and merchants, and gratitude was expressed for America's friendship to China.

Later, in speaking to foreigners about this the most cordial and remarkable reception ever given by the Chinese to a foreign official. Mr. Taft referred to the boycott of two years before and said it was one of the most remarkable reversals of public opinion he had ever seen. He attributed the change to two recent events, the return of the Boxer Indemnity and the wonderful work of the missionaries in saving so many lives in the recent famine.

This incident furnishes an illustration, of which there are many, of how the work of the missionary in winning the friendship of the natives makes the task of the diplomat an easier one and opens the way for the merchant and his trade. These are some of the by-products of the missionary's work.

The friendship of the Chinese for America and Americans has grown steadily of recent years. I shall have more to say about this in a later story. But China looks upon America as her great and unselfish friend in this time of her weakness, as a people who have a really disinterested desire to help China take her rightful place in the family of nations. She looks upon our President Wilson as the world's greatest leader and all his speeches and state papers are printed in full in the Chinese papers

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We have just closed a fine meeting of nine days at Raymond, W. E. Farr of Gloster, a friend and schoolmate of the pastor, G. H. Suttle, doing very acceptable and effective preaching.

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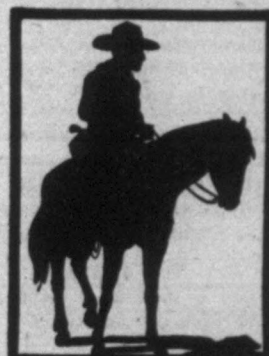
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NEWS IN THE CIRCLE

MARTIN BALL

Evangelist J. B. DeGavmo is in a meeting this week with Pastor Norris Palmer at Sidon. We look for great results.

At the Clarksdale Church there gathered last Sunday morning the largest Baptist Sunday School that ever met in the history of that church. One class was peculiarly attractive—a class of young men, taught by Miss Jacobs, numbering 23 present; contributions for that class amounting to \$7.50. It was Orphanage day. The school gave \$20.00. Oh, for a house.

Bro. T. S. Shuford, of Lyon, passed to his heavenly home last Sunday night. He was ripe and ready to be gathered into the Father's home above, having served Him and his fellow man faithfully and well. Our deepest sympathies go out to the bereaved ones. He leaves a devoted wife, son and daughter to mourn his departure. May his grace sustain them.

Pastor O. P. Estes, of Lyon, is conducting a meeting at Hushpuckany his week. He was called home to bury Bro. Shuford. The work at Lyon and the other points where he preaches is prospering in his hands.

Rev. J. P. Harrington has received a cordial welcome to the pastorate of the church at Crystal Springs. He enters the field with bright prospects, and we anticipate great results.

Pastor W. E. Farr of Gloster, is engaged in a great meeting at Raymond. There had been 20 additions when last heard from, and the meeting continuing with excellent prospects.

We extend our sincerest sympathy to the brothers and sisters of Leslie Babb in his sudden departure from this world, where there is so much sorrow and trouble. He was the youngest son of Dr. T. J. and Carrie F. Babb, of blessed memory. We mourn his loss with his two brothers, Edwyn and Lauren and splendid sisters Mary and Sallie. May our Saviour's grace be abundant for them in this dark hour.

It is now announced that Dr. W. J. McGlothlin will not accept the secretaryship of the new Education Board but will take the presidency of the Thurman University, Greenville, S. C.

The supply pastor of the First Church, Texarkana, Ark., Lemuel Hall has resigned to accept a call to the church at Avery, Texas. They recently finished a new house of worship.

The Baptist Standard says: "Dr. W. D. P. Powell has deposited with the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary his magnificent library, in which there are many choice volumes in French and Spanish, also of missionary literature."

Rev. B. W. Vining, of Corsicana, Texas, has been chosen corresponding secretary of the New Mexico Baptist Convention. He is to succeed Rev. E. B. Atwood who has accepted the presidency of Wayland Baptist College.

Rev. Millard A. Jenkins, of Abilene, Texas, recently conducted, at the Baptist Church, Athens, Ga., a gracious

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THE SOUTH CHINA MISSION CONFERENCE AND INCIDENTS

(J. F. Love, Cor. Sec'y.)

The South China Mission Conference convened on January 22 and constitutes a memorable incident in our tour of the mission fields. This was the last of the Mission conferences to be held and South China is our oldest and one of our most important mission fields. It is from this section that the great majority of Chinese in America go. The whole situation is fragrant with the memory of Dr. Graves who served here for a half-century, who was so greatly beloved by Southern Baptists, and his lamented associates, Dr. Simmons and Dr. Green, and others, who, having ceased from their labors, have entered into rest. This Mission is strong in the personnel of its present missionaries and a great work is being conducted, presided over by Mrs. Graves, assisted by young women from the South and native Christian teachers; the Woman's Bible School, conducted by Mrs. Green; Pooi Ching, a boy's school with an enrollment of approximately 400 students, whose president is Mr. Yeung A Fong, a graduate of Richmond College, the school being conducted by the native Educational Board with some assistance from Southern Baptists; the Graves Theological Seminary of which Rev. P. H. Anderson is president with an able corps of assistants including foreign missionaries and native teachers; and other educational and religious institutions that are prospering in the work of spreading the Gospel among these needy people. That China Baptist Publication Society, Dr. R. E. Chambers, Corresponding Secretary, is also located here. The society is conducted jointly by the Foreign Mission Board and the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society and is rendering a great service and is destined to fulfill an increasingly large mission for the cause of Christ and the Denomination.

The Mission Conference extended through five days. Many matters of great importance claimed serious attention and we have comfort in believing that good will come to our South China work from this conference.

There is not, of course, room here for an account of the proceedings. He may mention, however, one action of the conference which will be of interest to Southern Baptists. A resolution was introduced and passed unanimously assuring the Denomination at home that it can look to the South China Mission to faithfully represent it in missionary principles, policies and practices. The resolution was offered by Dr. George Leavell, whose brothers are so well and favorably known among Southern Baptists for the large service they are rendering the cause of Christ in responsible positions. The resolution is as follows:

"Resolved, That the South China Mission of the Southern Baptist Convention place itself on record for the support of our Foreign Mission Board in carrying out a thoroughly constructive Baptist program as outlined in the utterances of the St. Louis, Nashville and Asheville Conventions;

"That we assure our Board and the constituency of the Southern Baptist

Convention that we will not promote in our work in South China any form of church federation, organic church union, nor co-operate in union institutional work with other denominations;

"That in conducting our Mission work we shall act consistently within the principles, policies and practices of our Southern Baptist Brotherhood."

The conference closed with a scene and a high tide of spirituality and fellowship which will linger with us as a sweet memory of our visit to China. When the last item of business had been passed it was suggested that the large company of missionaries and visitors from other missions form a circle hand in hand and that this visitor should lead in prayer. We have rarely seen or felt more evident token of the unity of the spirit, of which the Scriptures admonish us. After the prayer the whole company united in singing and a general handshaking followed. I am sure that the hearts of all in the company were tender at the thought of such fellowship through the love of Jesus. The South China Mission has a great work in hand with a consequent great responsibility and with open doors of opportunity which transcend measurement. The centre of this field is Canton, the greatest heathen city in the world. If the spirit of unity with which this conference closed shall continue to characterize this body and the confidence and support of the Denomination at home is given it in carrying out a thoroughly Baptist program to which the Conference so heartily and unanimously pledged itself, the largest expectations may be entertained for it.

An incident which followed the close of our conference is worthy of mention. Rev. Arthur Gallimore and Miss Gladys Stephenson, who were appointed by the Foreign Mission Board last spring and who are located at Yingtak, decided recently to multiply their joys and divide their sorrows and the Corresponding Secretary had the privilege of pronouncing the nuptial bonds at the home of Mrs. Green on the evening of January 27. There were present a large company of missionaries, state officials and other friends and the occasion was one of exceptional interest and joyfulness. Our readers will join us in wishing for these young people a long, a happy and a useful life.

During an interim in the conference an invitation was accepted which was extended, through Dr. Leavell, by Governor Mak Wing Sun, the military governor of the Provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi, to visit the governor at his Yamen, or official headquarters. The governor received us graciously, served tea and chatted with us freely and intelligently. One of the most beautiful and sensible tribute which we have heard paid to President Willson in the East was paid by Governor Mak during this reception hour. The Governor is one of the outstanding figures in China today. At the close of the reception we had the honor of having our picture taken with our distinguished host and shall keep this as a reminder of the favor which he showed us and our South China Missionaries. The Governor had already made a personal gift of \$2,000 to our Wuchow Hospital

and as we were parting he told Dr. Leavell that he would add \$2,000 to this gift. This is a fine tribute to his generosity as well as to Drs. Leavell and Beddoe and the Wuchow Hospital which seeks to serve the Chinese people.

We are now on the train en route to Hong Kong from which we sail tomorrow for Shanghai where we are to hold an inter-mission conference with representatives from all our Eastern Missions with the view to working out a more rational, economical and effective Southern Baptist Foreign Mission program for the East. In a latter article we will tell our readers about this greatly important conference.

Postscript—Since writing the above we have had an evening in Hong Kong before sailing for Shanghai. An incident connected with this evening is worth passing on to our readers. Dr. Leavell arranged to have Mr. George Banker, of whom we have written in a former article, to meet our party at a dinner in the Hong Kong Hotel. We found Mr. Banker to be a most affable gentleman and greatly enjoyed the social hour with him. Before leaving the table Mr. Banker allowed the announcement to be made that he would give \$5,000 to the Stout Memorial Hospital at Wuchow, in addition to a previous liberal gift and the annual payment for the treatment of the poor at the hospital. The whole Denomination in the South will receive with gratitude this practical assurance that the work which we are trying to do for the Chinese people is so genuinely appreciated by one living in the midst of the Chinese. We feel certain that this example will stimulate many men and women in the South to contribute more liberally to our Foreign Mission work.

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and not after. So, in that spirit I desire to pay a slight tribute to the faithfulness and usefulness of my good friend. The only fitness that I claim for this privilege is that I love him.

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While his educational advantages were meager in his early days, Bro. Johnson has been a faithful student of God's Word and knows how to word it. I would accept his interpretation of a passage of Scripture as readily as that of any man I know. Being a thorough Baptist he has sought faithfully to plant the missionary and educational spirit in all the churches he has pastored.

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He has been used of the Lord in our State Mission Board, representing his association several times at the Southern Baptist Convention, and served as moderator of the Oxford and Calhoun associations for several years at a time.

This good man, with his companion, continues to live at his beautiful country home near Water Valley, where they have given to the world as splendid family of children as it has ever been my pleasure to know. One is a practicing physician, two are teachers, two are farmers, one is the wife of Prof. Lattimer, one a trained nurse—and the others?—

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JOHN THREE: SEVEN

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Careless translations of "Gennao" and other words translated begat, beget, begot, begotten, and born, have caused much confusion and doubtless much halting and stumbling. "Gennao" is the common word for both to beget and to be born, therefore should generally be translated begat, beget, or begotten if reference is to the father, and born if the mother is referred to, or if the conditions like a birth are meant.

John 1:13 speaks of those who believe in Christ as having been born of God, yet God is everywhere spoken of as Father. We know that in actual fact the father begets and the mother births or brings forth that which was begotten. In Matthew 1:16 we have these facts clearly set forth. The text says, "Jacob begat (egennese) Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born (egennethe) Jesus who is called Christ." You can see from that text how we need to discriminate in translating words.

In John 3:3 and 7 it would be hard to determine which word should be used, begotten or born. It may be that the entire process from generation to manifestation is couched in the term rendered born. The begetting work of the Father, God, is absolutely necessary before there can be a bringing forth of one called a child of God. But since Nicodemus had come to Jesus for help of some kind it is presumable that the begetting work of God had already begotten the elements of the new being within the soul of inquirer. That would seem to be true since he came for light. If so the word born here (from gennetheal) was the right word to use, and meant that he must be brought out of darkness into light, out of bondage into liberty, out of the natural state in sin into the spiritual state in Christ, and into the relationship of God's child, through the knowledge of the truth and faith in Christ Jesus.

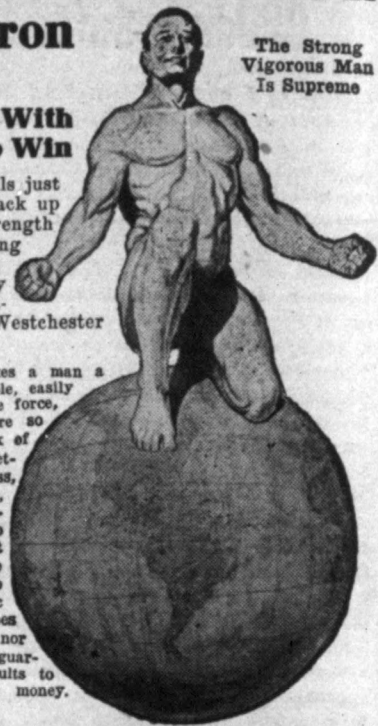
It is clear that regeneration is a complete transformation, beginning with the first movings of conscience and ending with faith in Christ. It is also clear that in this great, spiritual renewing God uses both men and means as instruments to accomplish the work to be done. In I Corinthians 4:15, Paul refers to himself as father of the Corinthians, and as having begotten (egennese) them "through the Gospel." This shows clearly that God uses both men and means in doing his work in the soul. The work called begetting is a quickening of the deadened spiritual faculties and an importation of the "divine nature" to the soul. Titus 3:5, which says of "God our Saviour," "He saved us by the washing of regeneration (paliggenesias) and renewing of the Holy Ghost," shows clearly that the entire inward work is through the direct agency of the Holy Spirit, through He uses as instrumentalities for accomplishing the work both men and means.

In James 1:18 we read, "Of His own will begat He us with the word of truth." The word here rendered begat (apekuesen) is not the same word as used above, but it too is rendered both to beget and to be born, but more correctly to be born, or to bring forth. Both senses may be used in this text. God used the in-

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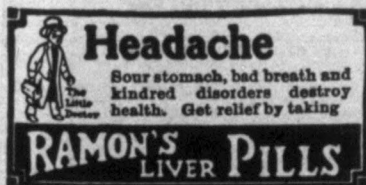
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strumentality of the word in quickening their souls and also in bringing them into faith in Christ, and they were seen as His first fruit.

These texts all show that the second birth, whether we say "born again", born anew, or "born from above," is the result of a Divine work wrought in the soul through the agency of the Holy Spirit, and His use of men and means as instrumentalities in accomplishing the task.

Were I asked to define the new birth; that is, tell just what it is; I would say: It is the quickening of the dead spiritual faculties within man, the impartation of the Divine nature to man, the thorough cleansing of the soul of man, and the bringing of the will of man into loving submission to the will of God. All of which is affected by the Holy Ghost, working through human effort, through the influence of the Scriptures, through the influence of Christian love and Christian life, and the providences of God; and it results in the faith-born into the family of God and the kingdom of our God and his Christ; and in confession of His name, obedience to His will, as known, and in grateful service to Him.

This being true, we must not only cry "Ye must be born again" but we must show what it means to be born again, and how this new birth is obtained. After Jesus said to Nicodemus, "Ye must be born again," He turned right away from that to the great doctrine of God's love, and to His loving provision for salvation; to the way to be saved, and to the cause of condemnation; thus using the power of the preached Gospel to awaken the man's consciousness, lead him into the light and to see the awfulness of unbelief and the way of eternal life through faith in God's Son. Using instrumentality to produce the thing that had to be.

I have often thought that we cause many to wait by preaching "Ye must be born again" as some mystical process of God that has to be done before the sinner could begin to move toward God, instead of seeking as Jesus did, and as Paul said in I Cor. 4:15 he did, to be God's instruments in begetting them through the Gospel. No human birth was ever produced with instrumentality, and it is certain that God uses both men and means as instrumentalities in begetting in the human soul the new life, and in bringing the new begotten being to birth through faith in Christ. We do need to talk to the sinner so much about he must be born again as we need to present to him the mighty truths of God about sin and salvation, and righteousness and God. I have heard numbers of sermons on "Ye must be born again," but I cannot recall a single sermon that at the time resulted in conversions. But I have heard several sermons based on John 3:16 under which sinners felt their guilt and turned to Jesus. John 3:11-21 appeals to all there is in man. It is our Lord's own example of how to preach to those who need to be born again. If possible all preaching should be both instructive and productive. It is not enough to simply indoctrinate. That is fundamental. But the presentation of doctrine, to be effectual, must be followed by illustration, exhortation, explication; and sometimes denunciation.

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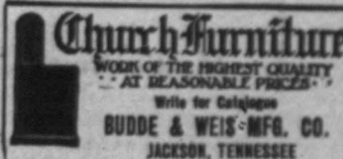
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